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Dear Mr. Elliott:

The Pleading which you filed on behalf of United Telephone Company of the Carolinas has been duly received and assigned Docket No. 1997-239-C.

In order to proceed with the processing of this Docket, it will be necessary for you to accomplish the following:

Publish, at your own expense, on or before **May 17, 2004**, the enclosed Notice, in newspapers of general circulation, in the affected areas, one time and provide the undersigned Proof of Publication on or before **June 9, 2004**.

Failure to comply with the above on or before the dates indicated may result in the **DISMISSAL** of your pleading.

In the meantime, should you require additional information, please advise.

Sincerely yours,

Bruce F. Duke  
Executive Director

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Enclosure

## **UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE CAROLINAS REQUESTS ADDITIONAL INTRASTATE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUNDING**

United Telephone Company of the Carolinas (United or Applicant) filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina for additional Universal Service Funding pursuant to Commission Order No. 2001-419 issued in the instant Docket. United proposes to reduce certain of its switched access rates. United seeks to offset this revenue reductions through the Intrastate Universal Service Fund.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Synergy Business Park, Saluda Building, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina and is available through Scott Elliott, Esquire, Elliott & Elliott, P.A., Attorneys at Law, 721 Olive Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at a hearing, if scheduled, should notify Bruce F. Duke, Executive Director, at the address below, and Scott Elliott, Esquire, at the previously stated address, in writing, on or before **June 16, 2004**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please refer to **Docket No. 1997-239-C**.

Any person who wishes to present his views to the Public Service Commission may do so in writing, on or before **June 16, 2004**. Please refer to **Docket No. 1997-239-C**.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Procedures, on or before **June 16, 2004**. Please refer to **Docket No. 1997-239-C**.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission by dialing (803) 896-5105.

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